

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Evans Linden R</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [ BKH ]</u>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>PRES &amp; COO - UTILITIES</u>	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/21/2012</u>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
PO BOX 1400			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) <u>RAPID CITY SD 57709</u>						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)				

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		666	A	\$32.34	58,299.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		667	A	\$32.34	58,966.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		667	A	\$32.34	59,633.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		1,000	A	\$25.16	60,633.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		1,000	A	\$25.16	61,633.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		1,000	A	\$25.16	62,633.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		1,666	A	\$29.83	64,299.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		1,667	A	\$29.83	65,966.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		M/K		1,667	A	\$29.83	67,633.039	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		F <sup>(1)</sup>		8,486.653	D	\$34.09	59,146.386	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2012		F <sup>(2)</sup>		400.28	D	\$34.09	58,746.106	D	
Common Stock								1,988.414	I	by 401(k)

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option (Right to Buy)	\$32.34	02/21/2012		M/K			666	06/17/2003	06/17/2012	Common Stock	666	\$32.34	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$32.34	02/21/2012		M/K			667	06/17/2004	06/17/2012	Common Stock	667	\$32.34	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$32.34	02/21/2012		M/K			667	06/17/2005	06/17/2012	Common Stock	667	\$32.34	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.16	02/21/2012		M/K			1,000	12/10/2003	12/10/2012	Common Stock	1,000	\$25.16	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.16	02/21/2012		M/K			1,000	12/10/2004	12/10/2012	Common Stock	1,000	\$25.16	0	D	

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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.16	02/21/2012		M/K			1,000	12/10/2005	12/12/2012	Common Stock	1,000	\$25.16	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.83	02/21/2012		M/K			1,666	12/31/2004	12/31/2013	Common Stock	1,666	\$29.83	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.83	02/21/2012		M/K			1,667	12/31/2005	12/31/2013	Common Stock	1,667	\$29.83	0	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$29.83	02/21/2012		M/K			1,667	12/31/2006	12/31/2013	Common Stock	1,667	\$29.83	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Shares used to pay for exercise price of stock option per notice provided to the Company on February 20, 2012.
- Shares used to pay tax withholding.

**Remarks:**

Lorna Zacher, by power of attorney      02/23/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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